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Prototype aircraft camera system tested onboard

by JOSN James Martin

What has almost 15,000 feet of cable, costs more than an average house and has five different locations?

The answer is a new aircraft handler camera system that is being installed onboard USS JOHN C. STENNIS (CVN-74).

This new system is a prototype. "It will be used on all the other carriers after it is installed and tested here," Aircraft Landing and Recovery Equipment Maintenance Officer, Lt. Gil Mucke said.

The IC's in the Visual Landing Aid Branch are installing the cable instead of Navy contracted civilian workers. "By installing the cable with JOHN C. STENNIS sailors, the Navy is saving around \$120,000," Mucke said.

"It is going to take about three weeks to finish laying all the cable needed to run the five cameras, which will be installed by contract personnel," said IC1 Shudrick Nichols, from the Visual Landing Aid Branch. There are

25 sailors working 14-hour days to complete this project. "It's hard, demanding work, but the guys know it has to be done," Nichols said. "It's a challenge that comes once in a Navy career and everybody is enthused about it."

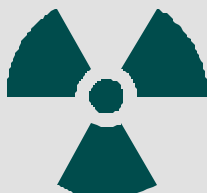
The reason for the large amount of time it takes to install the wire is that it takes four wires to operate each camera. The four wires consist of two coaxial wires, one control wire and one power wire. The wires run from the hangar or flight deck all over the ship until they get to the right department. The main control of the cameras will rest with the aircraft handler. It will replace the old system,

which is outdated and doesn't have cameras in the hangar bay. Once in place the aircraft handler will be able to bypass a lot of the sound-powered phone traffic and will be able to point and zoom in the camera of their choice. This will give him the opportunity to oversee all of the action he is controlling from the hangar deck all the way to the flight deck.

Nichols said, "It's a good feeling to know that the aircraft will be handled with a higher level of safety. This new system will be one of the best tools that the aircraft handler can use to insure that his job gets done right."

(JOSN Martin is TAD from COMNAVAIRPAC Public Affairs)

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EMFN Joshua McCoy (left) and IC2 Dalante Ellis (right) install the intricate coaxial wiring that is required for the aircraft handler camera system. (Photo by JCS Photo Lab)

Mass Casualty drill prepares crew



A recent F-18/Hornet collision during a landing attempt caused a chain reaction of explosions, injuring dozens of Sailors. This scenario was a drill, but personnel need to be prepared for emergencies. (Clockwise from upper left) Victims await medical attention as the result of a simulated explosion. A flight deck crewmember applies first aid to a fallen shipmate. Flight deck stretcher bearers relocate casualties to an elevator. After being brought to the Hanger Bay, the Ship's Nurse CDR Carla Tolbert assists in identifying and categorizing the various injuries. The operational procedures of the drill are monitored from the island.



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SAILOR OF THE DAY

Honor

May 27, 2001

Commitment

Courage



Name: YNSN Victor Rosado

Assigned to: Captain's Office

Hometown: Ellerslie, Georgia

Reported Aboard: March 2000

Job Description: "I wear many hats... I am the officer receipt clerk, officer sponsor coordinator, serialization yeoman, officer pay clerk, UNREP team member, and also a repair locker 1B member."

Favorite Book: The Red Badge of Courage

Places visited while in the Navy: Bahrain, Jebel Ali, Australia, Hawaii.

Reason for joining Navy: "To see the world and to get money for school."

Most memorable event in career: "Being a part of world premiere of the movie "Pearl Harbor."

Hobbies: Read, surf, watch movies

Early origins of 'Taps' herald honor to military servicemembers

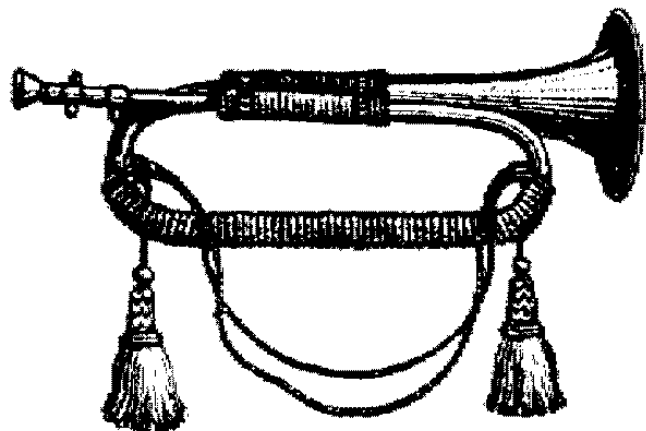
The custom of decorating the graves of veterans goes back to the mid- 1860s. Civil War widows and mothers from both the north and the south spontaneously decorated the graves of their sons and husbands killed in combat during the terrible war.

Today I would like to highlight briefly the story of one veteran of the Union Army – General Daniel Butterfield. Stay with me please to the end of the story.

Daniel Adams Butterfield (October 31, 1831-July 17, 1901) was born in Utica, New York and graduated from

Union College at Schenectady. He was the eastern superintendent of the American Express Company in New York when the Civil War broke out. Despite his lack of military experience, he rose quickly in rank. A Colonel in the 12th Regiment of the New York State Militia, he was promoted to Brigadier General and given command of a brigade of the V Corps of the Army of the Potomac. The 12th served in the Shenandoah Valley during the Bull Run Campaign. During the Peninsular Campaign Butterfield served prominently when during the Battle of Gaines Mill, despite an injury, he seized the colors of the 3rd Pennsylvania and rallied the regiment at a critical time in the battle. Years later, he was awarded the Medal of Honor for that act of heroism.

He was wounded at Gettysburg and then reassigned to the Western Theater. By war's end, he was brevetted a brigadier general and stayed in the army after the Civil War, serving as superintendent of the army's recruiting service in New York City and colonel of the 5th Infantry. In 1870, after resigning from the military, Butterfield went back to work with the American Express Company. Butterfield died in 1901. His tomb is the most ornate in the cemetery at West



JCS TELEVISION

TUESDAY, MAY 29

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- 0000 Out Of Sight
- 0230 How Stella Got Her Groove
- 0500 Music Videos
- 0600 Evening Reports
- 0610 Dumb & Dumber
- 0800 My Cousin Vinny
- 1000 The Wild, Wild West
- 1200 Sergeant York
- 1430 Animal House
- 1800 When the Bullet Hits
- 1800 Evening Reports
- 1810 Six Days, Seven Nights
- 2000 Viva Rock Vegas
- 2200 Red Dawn

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- 0000 Scent Of A Woman
- 0230 The Ninth Gate
- 0500 Music Videos
- 0600 Evening Reports
- 0610 Bad Boys
- 0800 Billy Elliot
- 1000 The Shinning
- 1200 Mumford
- 1400 The Matrix
- 1630 Child's Play
- 1800 Evening Reports
- 1810 The World Is Not Enough
- 2030 Shangai Noon
- 2230 Dudley Do-Right

TAPS (Cont'd from page 7)

Point despite the fact that he never attended. Taps was sounded at his funeral.

As notable a career and life of service as General Butterfield had, he is known to us today because of another one of his accomplishments. General Butterfield is the individual responsible for giving us Taps.

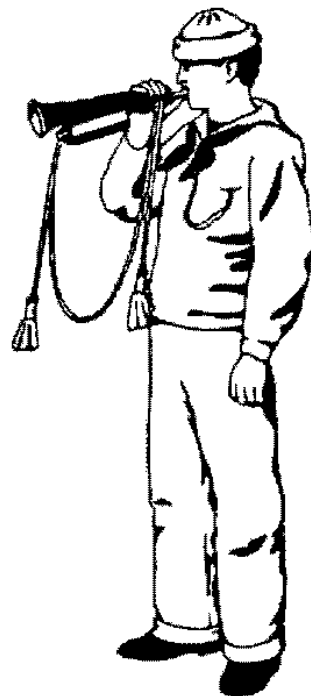
As the story goes, General Butterfield was not pleased with the call for Lights Out, feeling that the call was too formal to signal the days end. With the help of the brigade bugler, Oliver Wilcox Norton, Butterfield reworked a previous bugle call and created Taps to honor his men while in camp at Harrison's Landing, Virginia, following the Seven Day's battle. These battles took place during the Peninsular Campaign of 1862. The call sounded that night in July 1862, soon spread to other units of the Union Army and was even used by the Confederates. Taps was made an official bugle call after the war.

Later in the war, a unit was confronted with the need to bury a fallen comrade on the field of battle. They were, however, too close to the front lines to fire the traditional three volleys over the grave. The men of the unit quickly decided it would be most fitting to play their new evening call,

Taps, to honor the dead. The tradition spread quickly. Today Taps is played at military funerals and memorial services as a sign of the rest in which the dead have entered and the hope of the future they hold beyond the grave.

Though there are no official words to the tune, the following verses are most well known and traditional. As we celebrate Memorial Day this year,

read through them and consider for a moment the comfort and hope they have brought to millions who have served and died in the pursuit of peace.



**Day is done, gone the sun,
from the hills, from the lake,
from the skies.**

**All is well, safely rest,
God is nigh.**

**Go to sleep, peaceful sleep,
may the soldier or sailor,
God keep.**

**On the land or the deep,
safe in sleep.**

**Thanks and praise, for our
days, 'neath the sun, neath
the stars, 'neath the sky,
as we go, this we know,
God is nigh.**

--Chaplain Smith,
research on General Butterfield
by Master Sergeant Jari A.
Villanueva, USAF

JCS Gym Update

With the gyms still under construction they are open. They are closed from 0700 to 0900 for cleaning stations.

The mezzanine gym - above hanger bay 1 and can be accessed from the port side at frame 02-88-2. The aft gym is at frame 03-255-4-L.

Khaki hours are 1430 to 1600 in the mezza-nine gym, and 0900-1030 in the aft gym.

